

2009-2010 Hunt Recommendations

Commission Order 11: Tree Squirrel

General Tree Squirrel

Open Areas do not include any area closed to hunting under A.R.S. Sections 17-303 and 17-304 or Commission Rules R12-4-301, R12-4-801, R12-4-802 and R12-4-803.

Season Dates	Notes	Open Areas	Legal Wildlife
Oct 2 - Dec 31, 2009	(1)	Open areas Statewide (except for National Wildlife Refuges, Mohave County Park Lands and Units 11M)	Any tree squirrel except the Mount Graham red squirrel
Jul 1, 2009 - Jun 30, 2010		31	Tassel-eared tree squirrel
Sep 1, 2009 - May 31, 2010		33	Tassel-eared tree squirrel

LAWFUL TAKING METHODS: Any lawful methods as prescribed in R12-4-301 and R12-4-304.

LICENSE REQUIRED: Any valid hunting license obtained from a license dealer.

Limited Weapon-Shotgun Shooting Shot Tree Squirrel

Open Areas do not include any area closed to hunting under A.R.S. Sections 17-303 and 17-304 or Commission Rules R12-4-301, R12-4-801, R12-4-802 and R12-4-803.

Season Dates	Notes	Open Areas	Legal Wildlife
Oct 2 - Dec 31, 2009	(2)	11M	Any tree squirrel

LAWFUL TAKING METHODS: Shotgun shooting shot, bow and arrow, pneumatic weapons, sling shots and falconry as prescribed in R12-4-304, R12-4-318, and R12-4-422.

LICENSE REQUIRED: Any valid hunting license obtained from a license dealer.

Archery-Only Tree Squirrel

Open Areas do not include any area closed to hunting under A.R.S. Sections 17-303 and 17-304 or Commission Rules R12-4-301, R12-4-801, R12-4-802 and R12-4-803.

Season Dates	Notes	Open Areas	Legal Wildlife
Aug 21 - Oct 1, 2009	(1)	Open areas Statewide (except for National Wildlife Refuges, Mohave County Park Lands and Units 12A and 13A)	Any tree squirrel except the Mount Graham red squirrel
Aug 21 - Sep 10, 2009	(1)	12A and 13A	Any tree squirrel

LAWFUL TAKING METHODS: Bow and arrow as prescribed in R12-4-304 and R12-4-318 and crossbow as prescribed in R12-4-216.

LICENSE REQUIRED: Any valid hunting license obtained from a license dealer.

Notes:

1. The Grand Canyon-Parashant, Vermilion Cliffs, Sonoran Desert, Ironwood Forest, and Agua Fria National Monuments are open to hunting.
2. Method of take may be further restricted by local government regulations.

TREE SQUIRREL BAG LIMIT: Five (5) tree squirrels per day.

TREE SQUIRREL POSSESSION LIMIT: Ten (10) tree squirrels of which no more than five (5) may be taken in any one day.

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Commission Order 12: Cottontail Rabbit

General Cottontail Rabbit

Open Areas do not include any area closed to hunting under A.R.S. Sections 17-303 and 17-304 or Commission Rules R12-4-301, R12-4-801, R12-4-802 and R12-4-803.

Season Dates	Notes	Open Areas	Legal Wildlife
Jul 1, 2009 - Jun 30, 2010	(1,5,8,9)	Open areas Statewide (except for National Wildlife Refuges, Mohave County Park Lands, and Units 11M, 25M, 26M, 38M, and 47M)	Any cottontail rabbit
Sep 1, 2009 - Feb 7, 2010	(2)	Bill Williams River, Buenos Aires, Cibola, Havasu, Imperial and San Bernardino National Wildlife Refuges	Any cottontail rabbit
Oct 9, 2009 - Feb 7, 2010	(2)	Kofa National Wildlife Refuge	Any cottontail rabbit

LAWFUL TAKING METHODS: Any lawful methods as prescribed in R12-4-301 and R12-4-304. The use of rifled firearms is prohibited in the Bill Williams River, Buenos Aires, Cibola, Havasu, Imperial, Kofa and San Bernadino National Wildlife Refuges.

LICENSE REQUIRED: Any valid hunting license obtained from a license dealer.

Limited Weapon-Rimfire Cottontail Rabbit

Open Areas do not include any area closed to hunting under A.R.S. Sections 17-303 and 17-304 or Commission Rules R12-4-301, R12-4-801, R12-4-802 and R12-4-803.

Season Dates	Notes	Open Areas	Legal Wildlife
Jul 1, 2009 - Jun 30, 2010	(3,4,5,6,7,10)	25M, 26M, 38M, and 47M	Any cottontail rabbit

LAWFUL TAKING METHODS: Rimfire rifled firearms, shotgun, bow and arrow, pneumatic weapons, sling shots and falconry as prescribed in R12-4-301, R12-4-304, R12-4-318, and R12-4-422.

LICENSE REQUIRED: Any valid hunting license obtained from a license dealer.

Limited Weapon-Shotgun Shooting Shot Cottontail Rabbit

Open Areas do not include any area closed to hunting under A.R.S. Sections 17-303 and 17-304 or Commission Rules R12-4-301, R12-4-801, R12-4-802 and R12-4-803.

Season Dates	Notes	Open Areas	Legal Wildlife
Jul 1, 2009 - Jun 30, 2010	(3)	11M	Any cottontail rabbit

LAWFUL TAKING METHODS: Shotgun shooting shot, bow and arrow, pneumatic weapons, sling shots and falconry as prescribed in R12-4-304, R12-4-318, and R12-4-422.

LICENSE REQUIRED: Any valid hunting license obtained from a license dealer.

Notes:

1. The U.S. Army Yuma Proving Ground is closed to hunting, except those areas open in accordance with U.S. Army regulations to properly licensed hunters holding a valid Yuma Proving Ground Hunting Program Access permit. Occasionally, due to military activities, some affected hunting areas may be temporarily closed. For information write: U.S. Army Yuma Proving Ground, Building 105, Attn: Hunting Program, 301 C. Street, Yuma, AZ 85365-9498 or call toll-free 1-877-788-HUNT (4868) or (928) 328-2148 or www.yuma.army.mil/hunting_program.htm.
2. National Wildlife Refuges are open to cottontail rabbit hunting as permitted by Refuge regulations. The use or possession of other than non-toxic shot is prohibited in the Bill Williams River, Cibola, Havasu, and Imperial NWRs .
3. Method of take may be further restricted by local government regulations.
4. Tucson Mountain Wildlife Area is limited to archery only.
5. The Grand Canyon-Parashant, Vermilion Cliffs, Sonoran Desert, Ironwood Forest, and Agua Fria National Monuments are open to hunting.
6. Hunting is not permitted in Unit 26M in the following described area: Those private lands lying just north of the Town of Cave Creek in Sections 10, 11, 12, 14 and 15 of Township 6 North, Range 4 East.
7. Hunting is not permitted in Unit 47M in the following described area: an unincorporated portion of land within the City of Mesa known as the Elliott and Hawes County Island in Section 16, Township 1 South, Range 7 East.
8. Entry into portions of Units 40A, 40B, 46A, and 46B is subject to military closure and requires coordination with the Barry M. Goldwater Range for hunting access. For specifics about accessing the Barry M. Goldwater Range refer to the Index: Hunting on Military Reservations.
9. The Florence Military Reservation (training areas B and D: the areas north and south of Cottonwood Canyon Road) in Unit 37B is subject to short term closures due to military operations, including live fire operations, and requires coordination with the Florence Military Reservation for hunting access. For specific closure dates or any other access concerns, contact the Florence Military Reservation at 602-267-2062. A map of the Florence Military Reservation is located on the Arizona Game and Fish Department's website, azgfd.gov (type Florence Military Reservation in the search box).
10. Hunting is not permitted in Unit 25M in the following described area: an unincorporated portion of land within the Town of Queen Creek in Pinal County in Sections 5, 7, 8, and 18 of Township 3 South, Range 8 East.

COTTONTAIL RABBIT BAG LIMIT: Ten (10) cottontail rabbits per day.

COTTONTAIL RABBIT POSSESSION LIMIT: Twenty (20) cottontail rabbits of which no more than ten (10) may be taken in any one day.

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Commission Order 13: Predatory & Fur-bearing Mammals

General Predatory & Fur-bearing Mammals

Open Areas do not include any area closed to hunting under A.R.S. Sections 17-303 and 17-304 or Commission Rules R12-4-301, R12-4-801, R12-4-802 and R12-4-803.

Season Dates	Notes	Open Areas	Legal Wildlife
Jul 1, 2009 - Jun 30, 2010	(1,8,11,12)	Open areas Statewide (except for National Wildlife Refuges, Mohave County Park Lands, and Units 11M, 25M, 26M, 38M, and 47M)	Coyote and skunks
Apr 1 - May 31, 2010	(2)	Buenos Aires National Wildlife Refuge	Coyote and skunks
Oct 9, 2009 - Feb 7, 2010	(2)	Kofa and Imperial National Wildlife Refuges	Coyote and foxes
Aug 1, 2009 - Mar 31, 2010	(1,3,4,8,11,12)	Open areas Statewide (except for National Wildlife Refuges, Mohave County Park Lands, and Units 11M, 25M, 26M, 38M, and 47M)	Raccoon, bobcat, foxes, ringtail, weasel and badger

LAWFUL TAKING METHODS: Any lawful methods as prescribed in R12-4-301 and R12-4-304.

LICENSE REQUIRED: Any valid hunting license obtained from a license dealer.

Limited Weapon-Rimfire Predatory & Fur-bearing Mammals

Open Areas do not include any area closed to hunting under A.R.S. Sections 17-303 and 17-304 or Commission Rules R12-4-301, R12-4-801, R12-4-802 and R12-4-803.

Season Dates	Notes	Open Areas	Legal Wildlife
Jul 1, 2009 - Jun 30, 2010	(5,6,8,9,10,13)	25M, 26M, 38M, and 47M	Coyote and skunks
Aug 1, 2009 - Mar 31, 2010	(3,4,5,6,8,9,10,13)	25M, 26M, 38M, and 47M	Raccoon, bobcat, foxes, ringtail, weasel and badger

LAWFUL TAKING METHODS: Rimfire rifled firearms, shotgun, and bow and arrow as prescribed in R12-4-301, R12-4-304, and R12-4-318.

LICENSE REQUIRED: Any valid hunting license obtained from a license dealer.

Limited Weapon-Shotgun Shooting Shot Predatory & Fur-bearing Mammals

Open Areas do not include any area closed to hunting under A.R.S. Sections 17-303 and 17-304 or Commission Rules R12-4-301, R12-4-801, R12-4-802 and R12-4-803.

Season Dates	Notes	Open Areas	Legal Wildlife
Jul 1, 2009 - Jun 30, 2010	(5)	11M	Coyote and skunks
Aug 1, 2009 - Mar 31, 2010	(3,4,5)	11M	Raccoon, bobcat, foxes, ringtail, weasel and badger

LAWFUL TAKING METHODS: Shotgun shooting shot, and bow and arrow as prescribed in R12-4-304 and R12-4-318.

LICENSE REQUIRED: Any valid hunting license obtained from a license dealer.

Pursuit-Only Predatory & Fur-bearing Mammals

Open Areas do not include any area closed to hunting under A.R.S. Sections 17-303 and 17-304 or Commission Rules R12-4-301, R12-4-801, R12-4-802 and R12-4-803.

Season Dates	Notes	Open Areas	Legal Wildlife
Jul 1 - Jul 31, 2009 and Apr 1 - Jun 30, 2010	(1,7,8,12)	Open areas Statewide (except for National Wildlife Refuges, Mohave County Park Lands, and Units 11M, 25M, 26M, 38M, and 47M)	Raccoon

LAWFUL TAKING METHODS: An individual participating in a "pursuit-only" season may use dogs to pursue raccoons but shall not kill or capture the quarry as prescribed in R12-4-318.

LICENSE REQUIRED: Any valid hunting license obtained from a license dealer.

Notes:

- 1 . The U.S. Army Yuma Proving Ground is closed to hunting, except those areas open in accordance with U.S. Army regulations to properly licensed hunters holding a valid Yuma Proving Ground Hunting Program Access permit. Occasionally, due to military activities, some affected hunting areas may be temporarily closed. For information write: U.S. Army Yuma Proving Ground, Building 105, Attn: Hunting Program, 301 C. Street, Yuma, AZ 85365-9498 or call toll-free 1-877-788-HUNT (4868) or (928) 328-2148 or www.yuma.army.mil/hunting_program.htm.
- 2 . The Buenos Aires, Kofa, and Imperial National Wildlife Refuges are open to predatory and fur-bearing mammal hunting. A refuge permit may be required; contact the individual refuges for their regulations (see Index: Hunting on Public Lands).
- 3 . Any raw bobcat pelt sold or exported must have attached permit tag in accordance with R12-4-305.
- 4 . Raccoon may be taken at night with the aid of artificial light; however the light may not be attached to or operated from a vehicle.
- 5 . Method of take may be further restricted by local government regulations.
- 6 . Tucson Mountain Wildlife Area is limited to archery only.
- 7 . A person participating in a "pursuit-only" season may use dogs to pursue raccoons, but shall not kill or capture the quarry, pursuant to R12-4-318.
- 8 . The Grand Canyon-Parashant, Vermilion Cliffs, Sonoran Desert, Ironwood Forest, and Agua Fria National Monuments are open to hunting.
- 9 . Hunting is not permitted in Unit 26M in the following described area: Those private lands lying just north of the Town of Cave Creek in Sections 10, 11, 12, 14 and 15 of Township 6 North, Range 4 East.
- 10 . Hunting is not permitted in Unit 47M in the following described area: an unincorporated portion of land within the City of Mesa known as the Elliott and Hawes County Island in Section 16, Township 1 South, Range 7 East.
- 11 . Entry into portions of Units 40A, 40B, 46A, and 46B is subject to military closure and requires coordination with the Barry M. Goldwater Range for hunting access. For specifics about accessing the Barry M. Goldwater Range refer to the Index: Hunting on Military Reservations.
- 12 . The Florence Military Reservation (training areas B and D: the areas north and south of Cottonwood Canyon Road) in Unit 37B is subject to short term closures due to military operations, including live fire operations, and requires coordination with the Florence Military Reservation for hunting access. For specific closure dates or any other access concerns, contact the Florence Military Reservation at 602-267-2062. A map of the Florence Military Reservation is located on the Arizona Game and Fish Department's website, azgfd.gov (type Florence Military Reservation in the search box).
- 13 . Hunting is not permitted in Unit 25M in the following described area: an unincorporated portion of land within the Town of Queen Creek in Pinal County in Sections 5, 7, 8, and 18 of Township 3 South, Range 8 East.

PREDATORY & FUR-BEARING MAMMALS BAG LIMIT: Unlimited. In the "pursuit-only" season, an individual shall not kill or capture any mammal.

PREDATORY & FUR-BEARING MAMMALS POSSESSION LIMIT: Unlimited. In the "pursuit-only" season, an individual shall not kill or capture any mammal.

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Commission Order 14: Other Birds & Mammals

General Other Birds & Mammals

Open Areas do not include any area closed to hunting under A.R.S. Sections 17-303 and 17-304 or Commission Rules R12-4-301, R12-4-801, R12-4-802 and R12-4-803.

Season Dates	Notes	Open Areas	Legal Wildlife
Jul 1, 2009 - Jun 30, 2010	(1,5,8,9)	Open areas Statewide (except for National Wildlife Refuges, Mohave County Park Lands, and Units 11M, 25M, 26M, 38M, and 47M)	House (English) sparrow and European starling
Sep 1 - Dec 31, 2009	(1,5,8,9)	Open areas Statewide (except for National Wildlife Refuges, Mohave County Park Lands, and Units 11M, 25M, 26M, 38M, and 47M)	Crow
Sep 1, 2009 - Mar 31, 2010	(5,8,9)	Open areas Statewide (except for National Wildlife Refuges, Mohave County Park Lands, and Units 11M, 25M, 26M, 38M, and 47M)	Coati
Jul 1, 2009 - Mar 31, 2010 and Jun 16 - Jun 30, 2010	(5,8,9)	Open areas Statewide (except for National Wildlife Refuges, Mohave County Park Lands, and Units 11M, 25M, 26M, 29, 30A, 30B, 34A, 34B, 35A, 35B, 38M, and 47M)	Gunnison's prairie dog
Jul 1, 2009 - Jun 30, 2010	(1,2,5,8,9)	Open areas Statewide (except for National Wildlife Refuges, Mohave County Park Lands, and Units 11M, 25M, 26M, 38M, and 47M)	All mammals EXCEPT game mammals, furbearing mammals, predatory mammals, bats, coati, black-footed ferret, Hualapai vole, Gunnison's prairie dog, black-tailed prairie dog, jaguar, jaguarundi, ocelot, otter, porcupine and wolves

LAWFUL TAKING METHODS: Any lawful methods as prescribed in R12-4-301 and R12-4-304.

LICENSE REQUIRED: Any valid hunting license obtained from a license dealer.

Limited Weapon-Rimfire Other Birds & Mammals

Open Areas do not include any area closed to hunting under A.R.S. Sections 17-303 and 17-304 or Commission Rules R12-4-301, R12-4-801, R12-4-802 and R12-4-803.

Season Dates	Notes	Open Areas	Legal Wildlife
Jul 1, 2009 - Jun 30, 2010	(3,4,5,6,7,10)	25M, 26M, 38M, and 47M	House (English) sparrow and European starling
Jul 1, 2009 - Jun 30, 2010	(3,4,5,6,7,10)	25M, 26M, 38M, and 47M	All mammals EXCEPT game mammals, furbearing mammals, predatory mammals, bats, coati, black-footed ferret, Hualapai vole, black-tailed prairie dog, jaguar, jaguarundi, ocelot, otter, porcupine and wolves

LAWFUL TAKING METHODS: Rimfire rifled firearms, shotgun, bow and arrow, pneumatic weapons, sling shots, traps and falconry as prescribed in R12-4-301, R12-4-304, R12-4-307, R12-4-318, and R12-4-422.

LICENSE REQUIRED: Any valid hunting license obtained from a license dealer.

Limited Weapon-Shotgun Shooting Shot Other Birds & Mammals

Open Areas do not include any area closed to hunting under A.R.S. Sections 17-303 and 17-304 or Commission Rules R12-4-301, R12-4-801, R12-4-802 and R12-4-803.

Season Dates	Notes	Open Areas	Legal Wildlife
Jul 1, 2009 - Jun 30, 2010	(3)	11M	House (English) sparrow and European starling
Jul 1, 2009 - Jun 30, 2010	(3)	11M	All mammals EXCEPT game mammals, furbearing mammals, predatory mammals, bats, coati, black-footed ferret, Hualapai vole, black-tailed prairie dog, jaguar, jaguarundi, ocelot, otter, porcupine and wolves

Limited Weapon-Shotgun Shooting Shot Other Birds & Mammals

Open Areas do not include any area closed to hunting under A.R.S. Sections 17-303 and 17-304 or Commission Rules R12-4-301, R12-4-801, R12-4-802 and R12-4-803.

Season Dates

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Open Areas

Legal Wildlife

LAWFUL TAKING METHODS: Shotgun shooting shot, bow and arrow, pneumatic weapons, sling shots, traps and falconry as prescribed in R12-4-303, R12-4-304, R12-4-307, R12-4-318, and R12-4-422.

LICENSE REQUIRED: Any valid hunting license obtained from a license dealer.

Notes:

- 1 . The U.S. Army Yuma Proving Ground is closed to hunting, except those areas open in accordance with U.S. Army regulations to properly licensed hunters holding a valid Yuma Proving Ground Hunting Program Access permit. Occasionally, due to military activities, some affected hunting areas may be temporarily closed. For information write: U.S. Army Yuma Proving Ground, Building 105, Attn: Hunting Program, 301 C. Street, Yuma, AZ 85365-9498 or call toll-free 1-877-788-HUNT (4868) or (928) 328-2148 or www.yuma.army.mil/hunting_program.htm.
- 2 . Other mammals may be taken at night with the aid of artificial light as prescribed in R12-4-304E. No firearms may be used at night.
- 3 . Method of take may be further restricted by local government regulations.
- 4 . Tucson Mountain Wildlife Area is limited to archery only.
- 5 . The Grand Canyon-Parashant, Vermilion Cliffs, Sonoran Desert, Ironwood Forest, and Agua Fria National Monuments are open to hunting.
- 6 . Hunting is not permitted in Unit 26M in the following described area: Those private lands lying just north of the Town of Cave Creek in Sections 10, 11, 12, 14 and 15 of Township 6 North, Range 4 East.
- 7 . Hunting is not permitted in Unit 47M in the following described area: an unincorporated portion of land within the City of Mesa known as the Elliott and Hawes County Island in Section 16, Township 1 South, Range 7 East.
- 8 . Entry into portions of Units 40A, 40B, 46A, and 46B is subject to military closure and requires coordination with the Barry M. Goldwater Range for hunting access. For specifics about accessing the Barry M. Goldwater Range refer to the Index: Hunting on Military Reservations.
- 9 . The Florence Military Reservation (training areas B and D: the areas north and south of Cottonwood Canyon Road) in Unit 37B is subject to short term closures due to military operations, including live fire operations, and requires coordination with the Florence Military Reservation for hunting access. For specific closure dates or any other access concerns, contact the Florence Military Reservation at 602-267-2062. A map of the Florence Military Reservation is located on the Arizona Game and Fish Department's website, azgfd.gov (type Florence Military Reservation in the search box).
- 10 . Hunting is not permitted in Unit 25M in the following described area: an unincorporated portion of land within the Town of Queen Creek in Pinal County in Sections 5, 7, 8, and 18 of Township 3 South, Range 8 East.

OTHER BIRDS & MAMMALS BAG LIMIT: Unlimited, except for coati which is one (1) per calendar year. House (English) sparrows, European starlings and mammals of the Orders Rodentia (except beaver, black-tailed prairie dog, muskrat, porcupine or tree squirrel) and Insectivora may be taken alive and held in captivity pursuant to R12-4-404.

OTHER BIRDS & MAMMALS POSSESSION LIMIT: Unlimited, except for coati which is one (1) per calendar year.

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Commission Order 15: Pheasant

Limited Weapon-Shotgun Shooting Shot Pheasant

Open Areas do not include any area closed to hunting under A.R.S. sections 17-303 and 17-304 or Commission Rules R12-4-301, R12-4-801, R12-4-802 and R12-4-803.

Hunt No.	Season Dates	Notes	Open Areas	Legal Wildlife	Permits
	Sep 18 - Sep 20, 2009	(1)	40B (Yuma Valley, west of East Main Canal)	Any rooster pheasant	40
	Sep 25 - Sep 27, 2009	(1)	40B (Yuma Valley, west of East Main Canal)	Any rooster pheasant	40
	Oct 2 - Oct 4, 2009	(1)	40B (Yuma Valley, west of East Main Canal)	Any rooster pheasant	40
	Oct 9 - Oct 11, 2009	(1)	40B (Yuma Valley, west of East Main Canal)	Any rooster pheasant	40
				Total	160

WHEN APPLYING FOR HUNT PERMIT-TAGS, YOU MUST USE HUNT NUMBERS!

LAWFUL TAKING METHODS: Shotgun shooting shot as prescribed in R12-4-304 and R12-4-318.

LICENSE AND PERMIT REQUIREMENTS: Any valid hunting license plus Pheasant hunt permit-tag obtained only through application and drawing procedures as prescribed in R12-4-104 and R12-4-114. Applicants must apply by Hunt Number.

LIMITED WEAPON-SHOTGUN SHOOTING SHOT PHEASANT BAG LIMIT: Two (2) pheasants. Each pheasant possessed shall have a hunt permit-tag attached.

Juniors-Only Limited Weapon Shotgun Shooting Shot Pheasant

Open Areas do not include any area closed to hunting under A.R.S. sections 17-303 and 17-304 or Commission Rules R12-4-301, R12-4-801, R12-4-802 and R12-4-803.

Hunt No.	Season Dates	Notes	Open Areas	Legal Wildlife	Permits
	Sep 11 - Sep 13, 2009	(1)	40B (Yuma Valley, west of East Main Canal)	Any pheasant	30
				Total	30

WHEN APPLYING FOR HUNT PERMIT-TAGS, YOU MUST USE HUNT NUMBERS!

LAWFUL TAKING METHODS: Shotgun shooting shot as prescribed in R12-4-304 and R12-4-318.

LICENSE AND PERMIT REQUIREMENTS: Any valid hunting license plus Pheasant hunt permit-tag obtained only through application and drawing procedures as prescribed in R12-4-104 and R12-4-114. Applicants must apply by Hunt Number.

ELIGIBLE HUNTERS: Persons are eligible to participate up to and throughout the calendar year of their 17th birthday.

JUNIORS-ONLY LIMITED WEAPON SHOTGUN SHOOTING SHOT PHEASANT BAG LIMIT: Two (2) pheasants. Each pheasant possessed shall have a hunt permit-tag attached.

Archery-Only Pheasant

Open Areas do not include any area closed to hunting under A.R.S. sections 17-303 and 17-304 or Commission Rules R12-4-301, R12-4-801, R12-4-802 and R12-4-803.

Season Dates	Notes	Open Areas	Legal Wildlife
Oct 2, 2009 - Feb 7, 2010	(2)	Open areas Statewide (except for National Wildlife Refuges and Mohave County Park Lands)	Any pheasant

LAWFUL TAKING METHODS: Bow and arrow as prescribed in R12-4-304 and R12-4-318 and crossbow as prescribed in R12-4-216.

LICENSE AND PERMIT REQUIREMENTS: Any valid hunting license.

PHEASANT BAG LIMIT: Two (2) pheasants per day.

PHEASANT POSSESSION LIMIT: Four (4) pheasants of which no more than two (2) may be taken in any one day.

Falconry-Only Pheasant

Open Areas do not include any area closed to hunting under A.R.S. sections 17-303 and 17-304 or Commission Rules R12-4-301, R12-4-801, R12-4-802 and R12-4-803.

Season Dates	Notes	Open Areas	Legal Wildlife
Oct 2, 2009 - Feb 7, 2010	(2)	Open areas Statewide (except for National Wildlife Refuges, and Mohave County Park Lands)	Any pheasant

LAWFUL TAKING METHODS: Falconry as defined in R12-4-101 and as prescribed in R12-4-318.

LICENSE AND PERMIT REQUIREMENTS: Any valid hunting license plus Sport Falconry License as prescribed in R12-4-422 or R12-4-407.

PHEASANT BAG LIMIT: Two (2) pheasants per day.

PHEASANT POSSESSION LIMIT: Four (4) pheasants of which no more than two (2) may be taken in any one day.

Notes:

1. For the Limited Weapon-Shotgun Shooting Shot Pheasant application acceptance date see the Table of Contents: Application Info and Fees. Submitting your application before the acceptance date will result in your application being rejected.
2. The Grand Canyon-Parashant, Vermilion Cliffs, Sonoran Desert, Ironwood Forest, and Agua Fria National Monuments are open to hunting.

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Commission Order 16: Quail

General Quail

Open Areas do not include any area closed to hunting under A.R.S. Sections 17-303 and 17-304 or Commission Rules R12-4-301, R12-4-801, R12-4-802 and R12-4-803.

Season Dates	Notes	Open Areas	Legal Wildlife
Oct 2, 2009 - Feb 7, 2010	(1,3,4,5,6,7)	Open areas Statewide (except for National Wildlife Refuges and Mohave County Park Lands)	Gambel's, Scaled and California quail
Oct 2, 2009 - Feb 7, 2010	(2)	Bill Williams River, Cibola, Havasu, Imperial, Kofa and San Bernadino National Wildlife Refuges	Gambel's, Scaled and California quail
Nov 27, 2009 - Feb 7, 2010	(3,4,5,6,7)	Open areas Statewide (except for National Wildlife Refuges and Mohave County Park Lands)	Mearns' quail

LAWFUL TAKING METHODS: Any lawful methods as prescribed in R12-4-301 and R12-4-304.

LICENSE REQUIRED: Any valid hunting license obtained from a license dealer.

GENERAL QUAIL BAG LIMIT: Fifteen (15) quail per day in the aggregate of which no more than eight (8) may be Mearns' quail.

GENERAL QUAIL POSSESSION LIMIT: Thirty (30) quail in the aggregate after opening day of which no more than fifteen (15) Gambel's, Scaled, or California quail in the aggregate may be taken in any one day. After Mearns' season opens, the 30 quail possession limit may include Mearns' quail of which no more than eight (8) may be taken in any one day.

GENERAL QUAIL SPECIAL NOTE: Quail hunters are reminded that A.R.S. 17-309 requires wildlife in possession be identifiable as to species. Commission Rule R12-4-305 states that for a person transporting or possessing quail, that each quail have attached a fully feathered head, or a fully feathered wing, or a leg with foot attached.

Falconry-Only Quail

Open Areas do not include any area closed to hunting under A.R.S. Sections 17-303 and 17-304 or Commission Rules R12-4-301, R12-4-801, R12-4-802 and R12-4-803.

Season Dates	Notes	Open Areas	Legal Wildlife
Sep 1, 2009 - Oct 1, 2010	(3,6,7)	Open areas Statewide (except for National Wildlife Refuges, Mohave County Park Lands, and Units 11M, 25M, 26M, 38M, and 47M)	Any quail
Jul 1, 2009 - Mar 31, 2010	(3,4,5,8)	25M, 26M, 38M, and 47M	Any quail

LAWFUL TAKING METHODS: Falconry as defined in R12-4-101 and as prescribed in R12-4-318.

LICENSE REQUIRED: Any valid hunting license license plus Sport Falconry License as prescribed in R12-4-422 or R12-4-407.

FALCONRY-ONLY QUAIL BAG LIMIT: Three (3) quail per day.

FALCONRY-ONLY QUAIL POSSESSION LIMIT: Six (6) quail of which no more than three (3) may be taken in any one day.

FALCONRY-ONLY QUAIL SPECIAL NOTE: Quail hunters are reminded that A.R.S. 17-309 requires wildlife in possession be identifiable as to species. Commission Rule R12-4-305 states that for a person transporting or possessing quail, that each quail have attached a fully feathered head, or a fully feathered wing, or a leg with foot attached.

Notes:

- 1 . The U.S. Army Yuma Proving Ground is closed to hunting, except those areas open in accordance with U.S. Army regulations to properly licensed hunters holding a valid Yuma Proving Ground Hunting Program Access permit. Occasionally, due to military activities, some affected hunting areas may be temporarily closed. For information write: U.S. Army Yuma Proving Ground, Building 105, Attn: Hunting Program, 301 C. Street, Yuma, AZ 85365-9498 or call toll-free 1-877-788-HUNT (4868) or (928) 328-2148 or www.yuma.army.mil/hunting_program.htm.
- 2 . National Wildlife Refuges are open to quail hunting as permitted by Refuge regulations. The use or possession of other than non-toxic shot is prohibited in the Bill Williams River, Cibola, Havasu, and Imperial NWRs.
- 3 . The Grand Canyon-Parashant, Vermilion Cliffs, Sonoran Desert, Ironwood Forest, and Agua Fria National Monuments are open to hunting.
- 4 . Hunting is not permitted in Unit 26M in the following described area: Those private lands lying just north of the Town of Cave Creek in Sections 10, 11, 12, 14 and 15 of Township 6 North, Range 4 East.
- 5 . Hunting is not permitted in Unit 47M in the following described area: an unincorporated portion of land within the City of Mesa known as the Elliott and Hawes County Island in Section 16, Township 1 South, Range 7 East.
- 6 . Entry into portions of Units 40A, 40B, 46A, and 46B is subject to military closure and requires coordination with the Barry M. Goldwater Range for hunting access. For specifics about accessing the Barry M. Goldwater Range refer to the Index: Hunting on Military Reservations.
- 7 . The Florence Military Reservation (training areas B and D: the areas north and south of Cottonwood Canyon Road) in Unit 37B is subject to short term closures due to military operations, including live fire operations, and requires coordination with the Florence Military Reservation for hunting access. For specific closure dates or any other access concerns, contact the Florence Military Reservation at 602-267-2062. A map of the Florence Military Reservation is located on the Arizona Game and Fish Department's website, azgfd.gov (type Florence Military Reservation in the search box).
- 8 . Hunting is not permitted in Unit 25M in the following described area: an unincorporated portion of land within the Town of Queen Creek in Pinal County in Sections 5, 7, 8, and 18 of Township 3 South, Range 8 East.

2009-2010 Hunt Recommendations

Commission Order 17: Chukar Partridge

General Chukar Partridge

Open Areas do not include any area closed to hunting under A.R.S. Sections 17-303 and 17-304 or Commission Rules R12-4-301, R12-4-801, R12-4-802 and R12-4-803.

Season Dates	Notes	Open Areas	Legal Wildlife
Sep 11, 2009 - Feb 7, 2010	(1)	Open areas Statewide (except for National Wildlife Refuges and Mohave County Park Lands)	Any chukar

LAWFUL TAKING METHODS: Any lawful methods as prescribed in R12-4-304.

LICENSE REQUIRED: Any valid hunting license obtained from a license dealer.

Notes:

- 1 . The Grand Canyon-Parashant, Vermilion Cliffs, Sonoran Desert, Ironwood Forest, and Agua Fria National Monuments are open to hunting.

CHUKAR PARTRIDGE BAG LIMIT: Five (5) chukar per day.

CHUKAR PARTRIDGE POSSESSION LIMIT: Ten (10) chukar of which no more than five (5) may be taken in one day.

2009-2010 Hunt Recommendations

Commission Order 18: Blue Grouse

General Blue Grouse

Open Areas do not include any area closed to hunting under A.R.S. Sections 17-303 and 17-304 or Commission Rules R12-4-301, R12-4-801, R12-4-802 and R12-4-803.

Season Dates	Notes	Open Areas	Legal Wildlife
Sep 11 - Nov 15, 2009	(1)	Open areas Statewide (except for Units 4A and 5A, National Wildlife Refuges, and Mohave County Park Lands)	Blue grouse

LAWFUL TAKING METHODS: Any lawful methods as prescribed in R12-4-304.

LICENSE REQUIRED: Any valid hunting license obtained from a license dealer.

Notes:

- 1 . The Grand Canyon-Parashant, Vermilion Cliffs, Sonoran Desert, Ironwood Forest, and Agua Fria National Monuments are open to hunting.

BLUE GROUSE BAG LIMIT: Three (3) blue grouse per day.

BLUE GROUSE POSSESSION LIMIT: Six (6) blue grouse of which no more than three (3) may be taken in any one day.

2009-2010 Hunt Recommendations

Commission Order 23: Trapping

Trapping

Open Areas do not include any area closed to trapping under A.R.S. Sections 17-303 and 17-304 or Commission Rules R12-4-108, R12-4-301, R12-4-801, R12-4-802 and R12-4-803.

Season Dates	Notes	Open Areas	Legal Wildlife
Nov 1, 2009 - Feb 28, 2010	(1)	Open areas Statewide (except for National Wildlife Refuges, Mohave County Park Lands, and Units 11M, 25M, 26M, 38M, and 47M)	Coyote, bobcat, foxes, ringtail, badger, beaver, raccoon, skunks, weasels and muskrat

Notes:

- 1 . Refer to ARS 17-301D for trapping restrictions on public land.

TRAPPING BAG LIMIT: Unlimited.

TRAPPING POSSESSION LIMIT: Unlimited.

TRAPPING SPECIAL NOTE: Hunting or trapping seasons are closed on state and federal refuges, parks, and monuments, unless specifically opened by Commission Order (ARS 17-101 A.17).

DEFINITION: TRAPPING - means the taking of wildlife in any manner except with a gun or other implement in hand (ARS 17-101 A.20).

TRAPPERS: Be sure to file your trapping report annually by April 1 at the Phoenix office of the Arizona Game and Fish Department (2221 W Greenway Road, Phoenix AZ 85023).